

**MINUTES**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Monday, August 19, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Holder welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Opening:** Councilmember Kicklighter offered the opening prayer and Mayor Holder invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**Roll Call:** Mayor Holder presided. City Council Members: Don Bethune, Bruce Campbell, Rosetta Cody, Scott George, Bessie Kicklighter and Judy Shuman.

**Staff:** Brian Johnson, City Manager; Ron Feldner, Deputy City Manager; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Ben Brengman, IT Director; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Cory Salley, Finance Director; David Lyons, Chief of Police; Jimmy Crosby, Fire Chief and Benny Googe, Public Works Director. Absent: Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council and Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director.

**Informal Public Comment:** Mayor Holder opened the floor to receive informal public comment from the audience.

State Representative Bob Bryant addressed City Council and gave kudos to the Parks & Recreation Department staff members.

There being no further questions or comments from the audience, Mayor Holder closed the informal public comment portion of the meeting.

**Public Hearings:**

**Alcoholic Beverage License Application:** Mayor Holder opened the public hearing to receive public comment on an application by Ankit Amin for an alcoholic beverage license to sell wines, beer and/or malt beverages at Sgiami, Inc., (DBA Jasmine Food Mart) 4928 Ogeechee Road, Garden City, Georgia 31405.

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**City Council Minutes:**

**City Council Minutes (7/15/13):** Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council unanimously approve the city council minutes dated 7/15/13 as amended.

**Workshop Synopsis (8/5/13):** Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Bethune, City Council voted unanimously to approve the workshop synopsis dated 8/5/13 as presented.

**Workshop Synopsis (8/12/13):** Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember George, City Council voted unanimously to approve the workshop synopsis dated 8/12/13.

**Staff Reports:**

City Manager presented the Planning & Economic Development Department's Monthly Status Report.

HR Director presented the Human Resources Department's Monthly Status Report.

IT Director presented the Information Technology Department's Monthly Status Report.

Parks & Recreation Director presented the Parks & Recreation Department's Monthly Status Report.

City Manager presented the Water Operations Department's Monthly Status Report.

Fire Chief presented the Fire Department's Monthly Status Report.

Chief of Police presented the Police Department's Monthly Status Report.

**Items for Consideration:**

**First Reading, Traffic Control Signals Ordinance** – City Attorney read an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances for Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to amend Section 78-4 and Article III of Appendix B which is incorporated therein by reference, to ratify and re-designate the locations of official traffic control signals at road intersections within the City; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Shuman, City Council voted to approve the Traffic Control Signals Ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Shuman, City Council voted to suspend the rules of council and hold the second reading.

**Second Reading, Traffic Control Signals Ordinance** – City Attorney read an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances for Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to amend Section 78-4 and Article III of Appendix B which is incorporated therein by reference, to ratify and re-designate the locations of official traffic control signals at road intersections within the City; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Bethune, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the Traffic Control Signals Ordinance on the second reading.

**First Reading, Stop Intersections Ordinance** – City Attorney read an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances for Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to amend Section 78-8 and Article VI of Appendix B which is incorporated therein by reference, to ratify and re-designate the locations of stop intersections within the City; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to approve the Stop Intersections Ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Bethune, City Council voted unanimously to suspend the rules of council and hold the second reading.

**Second Reading, Stop Intersections Ordinance** – City Attorney read an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances for Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to amend Section 78-8 and Article VI of Appendix B which is incorporated therein by reference, to ratify and re-designate the locations of stop intersections within the City; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded Councilmember George, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the Stop Intersections Ordinance on the second reading.

**First Reading, Yield Intersections Ordinance** – City Attorney read an ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances for Garden City, Georgia, as amended, to amend Section 78-9 and Article VII of Appendix B which is incorporated therein by reference, to ratify and re-designate the locations of yield intersections within the City; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide and effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Bethune, seconded by Councilmember George, City Council voted unanimously to approve the ordinance on the first reading.

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Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Bethune, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the Yield Intersections Ordinance on the second reading.

**GEFA Loan Resolution** - City Attorney read a resolution of the Mayor & City Council of Garden City, Georgia, approving a water and sewer project consisting of the installation of a plant belt filter press, sewer lines, sewer system upgrades and the installation of water meters, water lines, and all related appurtenances costing approximately \$3,145,543.00 which shall be financed by the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority, and authorizing the Mayor or City Manager to execute and deliver, as well as the Clerk of Council to attest, the loan agreement, the note, and any related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the loan agreement.

Upon motion by Councilmember George, seconded by Councilmember Bethune, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the GEFA Loan Resolution.

**Resolution, Local Government Investment Pool (General Account)** – City Attorney read a resolution to authorize any one of the following individuals to deposit and/or withdraw funds from the local government investment pool general account on behalf of the City of Garden City, Georgia: Tennyson Holder, Mayor; Brian L. Johnson, City Manager, and Rhonda Ferrell, Clerk of Council.

Upon motion by Councilmember Bethune, seconded by Councilmember George, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the Local Government Investment Pool (General Account) Resolution.

**Resolution, Local Government Investment Pool (Water & Sewer Revenue Fund)** – City Attorney read a resolution to authorize any one of the following individuals to deposit and/or withdraw funds from the local government investment pool water and sewer revenue fund on behalf of the City of Garden City, Georgia: Tennyson Holder, Mayor; Brian L. Johnson, City Manager; and Rhonda Ferrell, Clerk of Council.

Upon motion by Councilmember Bethune, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the Local Government Investment Pool (Water & Sewer Revenue Fund) Resolution.

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**Adjournment:** Mayor Holder made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Bethune to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 7:43 p.m.

*Transcribed by Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council*  
*Approved by City Council: 9-16-13*